

**SUMMARY REPORT
OF COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN AT THE DECEMBER 1, 2009 REGULAR MEETING**

This summary is a statement of legal actions taken by the Cottonwood City Council at a regular meeting pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(D), and is being provided as required by A.R.S. § 38-431.01(D.).

Council Members Present: Mayor Joens, Vice Mayor Karen Pfeifer, Council Members Tim Elinski, Duane Kirby, Linda Norman, Terence Pratt, and Darold Smith.

Mayor Joens called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2483—DECLARING TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, PERTAINING TO THE COTTONWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE A PUBLIC RECORD

The Council unanimously approved Resolution Number 2483 which declares the proposed revisions to Title 10 of the Municipal Code pertaining to vehicles and traffic a public record. The proposed changes constitute Ordinance Number 555.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 555—AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA, BY DELETING THE EXISTING TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC; FIRST READING

The first reading was held for Ordinance Number 555. This is a general revision of Title 10, Vehicles and Traffic of the Municipal Code. It delineates procedures and regulations for the operation of vehicles, enforcement, and provides a schedule of fines for parking violations. The second and final reading of Ordinance Number 555 will be held at the Council's regular meeting on December 15.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 556—AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, CHAPTER 2.40 MUNICIPAL COURT, OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD; BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 2.40.130 DIVERSION/DEFERRED PROSECUTION FEE; SECOND & FINAL READING

The Council unanimously approved Ordinance Number 556 which implements a new municipal court diversion/deferred prosecution fee. It provides the court the option to collect fees in cases that do not result in criminal conviction for which the city nevertheless has incurred expenses. Ordinance Number 556 becomes effective after 30 days.

CONSENT AGENDA

AGREEMENT WITH YAVAPAI COUNTY TO CONDUCT VOTE-BY-MAIL ELECTIONS FOR THE CITY

The Council unanimously approved up-dating its existing agreement with Yavapai County, as requested by them, for conducting vote-by-mail elections.

NEW BUSINESS—The following items are for Council discussion, consideration, and possible legal action.

FEE STRUCTURE PROGRAM FOR THE COTTONWOOD RECREATION CENTER

The Council approved a fee schedule for personal use of the Cottonwood Recreation Center and for the rental of its facilities by a vote of 6-1. Council Member Kirby dissented.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO RESOLVE CLAIMS FOR ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION ON THE LIBRARY EXPANSION PROJECT BROUGHT BY LEA ARCHITECTS

The Council unanimously approved an agreement with LEA Architects for an additional \$27,000 of compensation relating to the Library Expansion Project for services rendered beyond the originally agreed timeframe for this project.

UPDATE ON THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PLANNING EFFORT

Mr. Tim Costello presented an update on the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) effort which aims to increase the number of students walking and riding bicycles to school. The selection of a plan to achieve this goal is required in order to apply for a grant which can be used for design and construction of infrastructure to achieve the stated goal. The project selected is to reorganize parking at the Mingus Avenue school facility to better separate pedestrian and vehicle traffic and to install bike racks.

Other related projects include the installation and widening of sidewalks on Mingus Avenue, creating a roundabout at the intersection of Mingus Avenue and Willard Street, and the installation of count-down pedestrian signals at the intersection of Mingus Avenue and Main Street.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL VISION, MISSION STATEMENT AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

The Council unanimously approved the Council's 2009 Vision/Mission Statement and Strategic Initiatives with target dates for achieving its stated goals over the next two years. The stated goal of annexation of Forest Service land is to be removed as it has become a non-issue.

CLAIMS & ADJUSTMENTS

The Council unanimously approved the claims and adjustments.

ADJOURNMENT

The regularly meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.